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Animal Fantasy	• Problem Solving • Farm Animals • Spiders and Webs	• Labels in Pictures • Repetition • Patterned Text	• Farm Animal Nouns

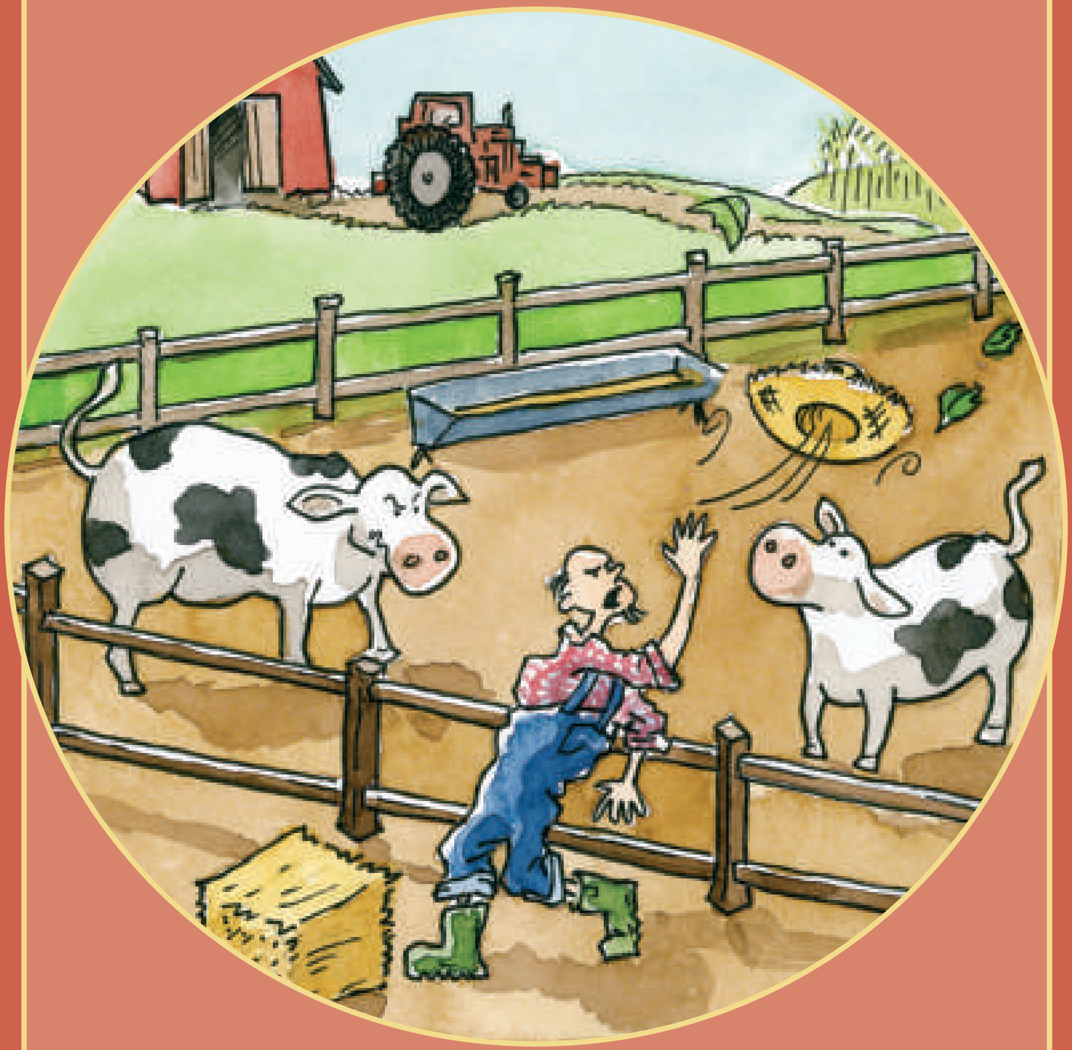
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The farmer went to feed the pig.
A big wind came along.
The wind blew the farmer's hat.
The farmer chased his hat.
The pig had to wait.



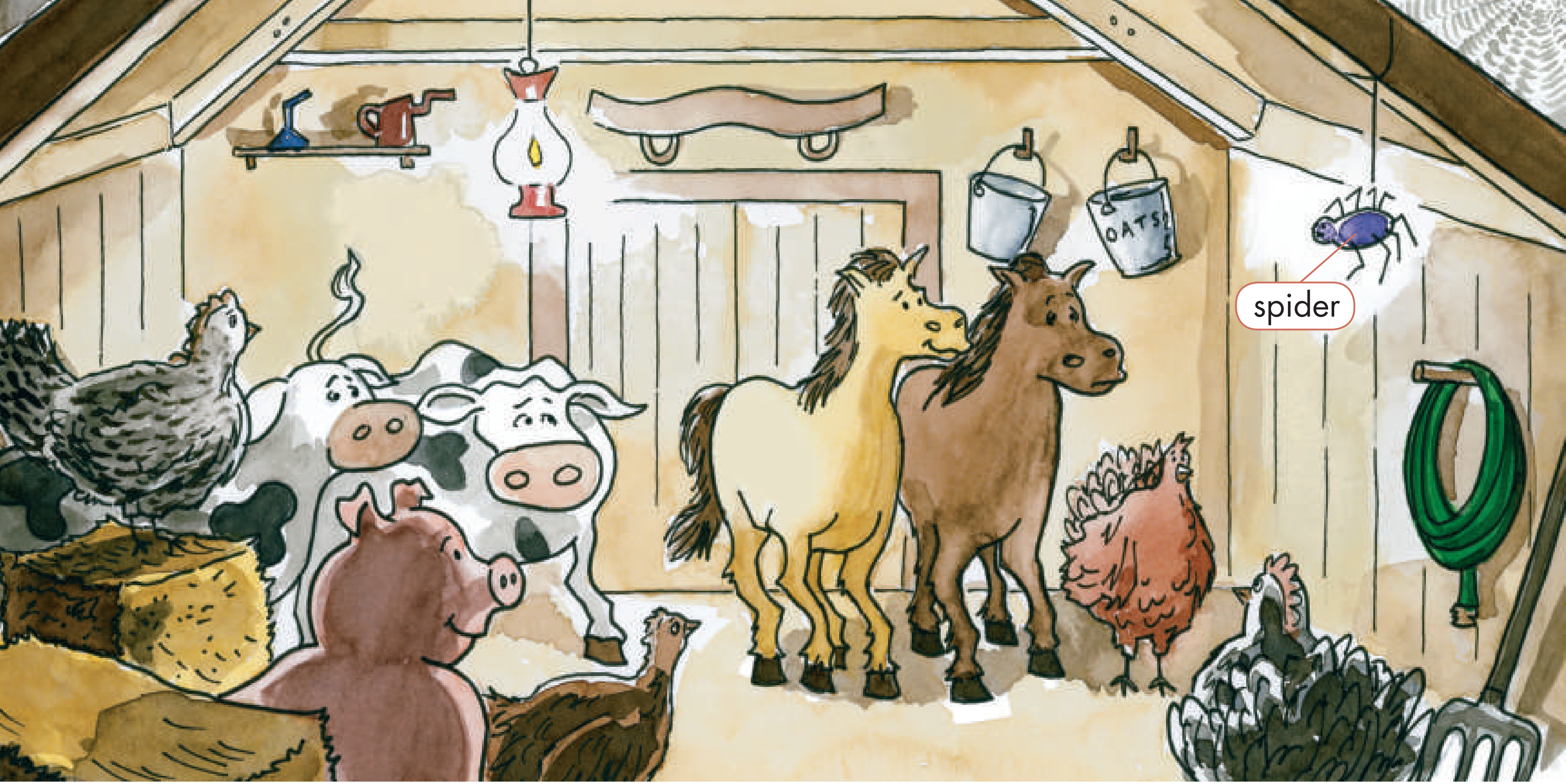
The farmer went to feed the cows.
The farmer's hat blew away.
The farmer chased his hat.
The cow had to wait.



The farmer went to feed the hens.
The farmer's hat blew away.
The farmer chased his hat.
The hens had to wait.



The farmer went to feed the horses.
Soon the farmer chased his hat again.
"We never get our food fast!" said
the light brown horse.
"We always have to wait!"



The animals got together.
"We don't want to wait!" said the dark brown horse.
"But the farmer's hat blows away," said the big cow.
"He has to chase it."

"I can solve this problem," said the spider.
"I will make something to fix the farmer's hat."
The spider went to work spinning.



The spider made strings for the hat.
The farmer went to feed the animals.
His hat did not blow away!
They all said, “Thank you, spider!
Now we will not have to wait!”

Talk About It

1. What problem did the animals have?
2. How did the spider solve the problem?

Write About It

3. On a separate sheet of paper, write about a problem you have solved. Tell how you solved it.

Extend Language

In the story, a pig, cows, horses, and hens live on a farm. The hens are birds. These animals sometimes live on farms, too.

goats sheep ducks turkeys

Which two of these are kinds of birds?

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